

REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge receipt of an Office Action dated June 23, 2009. In this response, Applicants have amended claim 14 so that it now depends from claim 1 instead of cancelled claim 13. Following entry of this amendment, claims 1-5, 7-11, and 14-15 are pending in the application.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the remarks which follow.

Allowed Claims

Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the PTO's indication, on page 2 of the Office Action, that claims 1-5, 7-11, and 14-15 have been allowed.

Objection to Claim 14

On page 2 of the Office Action, the PTO has objected to claim 14 for depending from cancelled claim 13. In this response, Applicants have amended claim 14 to depend from claim 1. In view of this amendment, Applicants submit that the outstanding objection is now moot.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.


The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing or a credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith,

Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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